

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A document inverting-and-transporting apparatus
5 includes a transport path, an inversion-and-transport
path, a document transporting unit, a closed portion, a
document length detecting unit, a comparing unit, a
controlling unit. The transport path includes a first
route along which the document is transported from a
10 feeding start position to a transport direction changing
position; a joining position; and a reading position. The
inversion-and-transport path includes a second route along
which the document is transported from the transport
direction changing position to the reading position via
15 the joining position. The closed portion constitutes a
part of the inversion-and-transport path. The comparing
unit compares a detected length of the document with a
predetermined length larger than a length of the closed
portion. The controlling unit determines whether the
20 document is to be transported to the inversion-and-
transport path, based on a result of the comparison.